ECFS - Email Filing <PROCEEDING>96-45 <DATE>02/08/2005 <NAME>Herb Bartlett <ADDRESS1>4206 Ann Fitz Hugh Drive <ADDRESS2> <CITY>Annandale <STATE>VA <ZIP>22003 <LAW-FIRM> <ATTORNEY> <FILE-NUMBER> <DOCUMENT-TYPE> RC <PHONE-NUMBER> <DESCRIPTION> <CONTACT-EMAIL> <TEXT>I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge

you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety and security when I am not at home. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Plese keep the USF Fair and not corporate welfare and/or profit!

Sincerely,

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